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SUBJECT: LECANUET VISIT TO ITALY

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1. ACTING QUAI DEPUTY DIRECTOR MEDITERRANEAN AFFAIRS REUILLARD SAID QUAI DID NOT YET HAVE READ-OUT OF LECANUET MEETINGS IN ROME, BUT THAT, IN THIS CASE, WE CONFIDENTIAL

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SHOULD NOT EXPECT IMPORTANT REVELATIONS SINCE THE MES-

SAGE WAS ACTUALLY IN THE MEDIUM. AS FAR AS QUAI KNOWS, LECANUET HAD NOT BEEN SENT TO ITALY WITH CONCRETE AID OFFER, BUT TO MAKE PUBLIC GESTURE OF FRENCH SUPPORT OF ANDREOTTI FOR BENEFIT ITALIAN PEOPLE. IF MORE HAD BEEN INVOLVED GOF WOULD HAVE SENT REPRESENTATIVE DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN FOREIGN OR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, AND WOULD HAVE AWAITED FORMAL FORMATION ANDREOTTI GOVERNMENT. REUILLARD ADDED THAT SUBSIDIARY MOTIVE OF FRENCH MOVE WAS UNDOUBTEDLY TO OFFSET, FOR BENEFIT FRENCH PUBLIC OPINION, THE "UNFORTUNATE" IMPACT SCHMIDT'S STATEMENT ON AID TO ITALY HAD HAD HERE. HE IMPLIED IN THIS CONNECTION THAT THE NINE HAD NOT BEEN CONSULTED ON LECANUET TRIP TO ROME.

2. REUILLARD CONCLUDED THAT, GESTURES APART, THE MAIN TASK OF COORDINATING WESTERN EFFORTS TO HELP ITALY OF COURSE STILL REMAINS TO BE FACED.

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